

## John Pickering an Wilhelm von Humboldt, 22.05.1835

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To Baron W<sup>m</sup> Humboldt

[May 22. 1835]

Sir –

I beg leave to introduce to you my highly valued friends [M.<sup>r</sup>](#) & [M.<sup>rs</sup> Ticknor](#) of this place who are now about leaving us to visit Europe; and as you would be the first person on the continent whom I should be interested in seeing, I feel that <I> cannot do them a greater favor than to present them to you.

[M.<sup>r</sup> Ticknor](#) is familiarly acquainted with Europe, by having travelled through it some years ago, & he is doubtless known to you by reputation as a gentleman of talents and of distinction in our literature as well as in other respects. He has often spoken to me of the many kindnesses formerly received by him from [Mad. de Humboldt](#), while at [Rome](#) in 1817–18, & from [your illustrious brother](#) in [Paris](#) & I flatter myself, that the acquaintance of so estimable a man & one whose mind is so richly stored with knowledge of every kind, & of a lady of such highly cultivated talents & elegant accomplishments as [M.<sup>rs</sup> Ticknor](#), will afford you as much pleasure as I am sure they will receive from your society. I commend them to your kind attentions with all that earnestness which your past kindness authorizes me to express in the case of friends for whom I have so warm a regard

I am &.<sup>c</sup>